

October 16, 2005

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Re: Limelight quarry Reclamation

Greetings,

Find enclosed our memo concerning the final phase of the reclamation project per your dictates. It was very important to complete this project on 10.13 due to personnel, equipment and weather priorities. Our dump site slope is close to 3 to 1 and totally stable after several fall thunderstorms. We went to great effort to restore the quarry area into a visually perfect area that is compatible with the surrounding terrain and all slopes are guaranteed to be erosion proof. Given 2 to 3 years, the seed we placed and mainly the natural seeding from indigenous plants and animals will populate the naturally sparse territory.

The restoration we have performed at this site and the neat, clean and organized nature of our operation is not duplicated by another decorative stone quarry in the Utah Raft River Range area. In fact no one else has done anything to mitigate alteration of the land! It is a big disappointment that after you promised to view our operations and others in our area that are operating junk yard operations that you did not show up. I feel that you can not fairly evaluate and assess data for your minerals regulatory program unless you get out of the office and see the extremes that occur in the field, from professional to disaster type operations.

Both O.G.M. and B.L.M. seem to conveniently forget that when I took over the Limelight quarry many years ago, other operators over the course of the previous 20 or more years left their junk and random diggings. I took it on myself to totally clean up and re grade the previously disturbed area. Now the B.L.M. and O.G.M. charge us with disturbing the very areas that we cleaned up! The final indiscretion and irony is a \$950.00 bill from the B.L.M. for a permit to use the road that accesses our quarry. We did not build the road and I know for a fact that it has been there for over 35 years and probably much longer. The majority of the road is open to the public except for a short section that leads directly into our quarry. I might add we do all of the maintenance on that road and it is kept in much better condition than most of the others in the area.



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I am enclosing 3 pages of your regulatory program with my notes about flaws that I see. Lastly I am enclosing 21 photos taken on 10.13 depicting the restoration at the Limelight and several disaster areas in the territory. I can name at least 20 operations in the general Raft River territory of Utah that are junk yard status, with little or no attempt to restore or maintain the land in a neat and orderly manner. I have been visiting and documenting other quarries in Idaho and Utah for over 35 years now. No progress has been made toward restoration or cleans up. The situation simply gets worse by the year because the promoters and quick buck artists are increasing and they know how to evade regulation. The people in my company are completely in tune with the high standards I have set for ethical conduct and environmental standards. Our never ending quest is to look each day for ways that we might improve. Frankly, my employees and contractors are confounded when they see no effort of compliance from the other operators and N.S.S. gets a steady flow of unnecessary flack from the agencies.

We will always welcome your ideas and concerns and will certainly comply with the law, but your methodology must be realistic, fair and in line with the realistic aspects of the mining and quarrying business pertaining to the small operator such as ourselves. Our working season at the quarries will shortly be over and again I will extend my wish for you to visit our operations and others to grasp the significance of the situation.

Sincerely,


Gary Mullard
President

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enclosures: 21 photos, 10.13 memo, seed receipts, page 4,5,6 of your faulty assessment

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